Special Assistance to Foreign Investors

3085. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating special assistance in select sectors to attract foreign investors;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of reciprocation to India's offer from various foreign investors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN): (a) and (b) While there are no special assistance schemes meant exclusively for foreign investors, special sector/area specific incentives such as tax holiday, capital subsidy, excise exemption, etc., are applicable to all Indian companies including foreign owned.

(c) FDI inflows are dependent upon various factors, such as domestic economic conditions, policy regime governing foreign investment, world economic trends and strategies of global investors. The inflow to approval ratio in respect of FDI has shown consistent improvement from 1992 onward, increasing from 17.37% in 1992 to 56.83% in 2001 (up to June). The sectors accounting for major inflows (excluding GDR/ADRs, acquistion of existing shares and advances pending issue of shares) include:

— Transportation Industry (7.00%)

— Electrical Equipment (including computer software) (6.85%)

— Telecommunications (5.54%)

— Service Sector (financial & non-financial) (4.72%)

— Fuels (power & oil refinery) (4.35%)

Export to South Asian countries

3086. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1702 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th August, 2001 and state the figures of exports of South Asian

region specially China, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Hong Kong?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): India's exports to China, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Hong Kong during April-May 2000-01 and April-May 2001-02 are given below:

US$ Million

Countries	April-May 2000-01	April-May 2001-02
China	131.28	134.94
Singapore	117.53	161.79
Malaysia	70.49	95.26
Thailand	68.07	82.89
Hong Kong	423.97	351.17

Complaints received on dumping of Goods

3087. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many industries in our country have availed of the relief from anti-dumping and allied measures under Customs Tariff Act and Rules framed thereunder;

(b) if so, the names of such industries which have so far made complaints against injury caused to them by unfair trade practices like dumping of goods during the last two years;

(c) whether *suo moto* action has also been taken in some cases of dumping of goods in Indian market; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Anti-Dumping investigations are initiated on the basis of fully